s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v317)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 595, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{56}{85}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S = 595 + 570.68 + 547.36 + 524.99 + 503.53 + 482.95 + 463.21 + 444.28 + 426.12 + 408.7$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 570.68 + 547.36 + 524.99 + 503.53 + 482.95 + 463.21 + 444.28 + 426.12 + 408.7 + 392$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 3 + 3(2) + 3(2)^{2} + 3(2)^{3} + \cdots + 3(2)^{66} + 3(2)^{67} + 3(2)^{68} + 3(2)^{69}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.